#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

# Charger miniRITE T R miniBTE T R



Compatible with
Alpha XT miniRITE T R and miniBTE T R
Alpha miniRITE T R and miniBTE T R
Viron miniRITE T R
CROS miniRITE T R



### Introduction to this booklet

This booklet guides you on how to use and maintain your new charger.

Ensure you read this booklet carefully, including the **Warnings** section. This will help you get the most benefit from your charger.



#### Warnings

 $\stackrel{ ext{$1$}}{ ext{$1$}}$  Text marked with a warning symbol must be read before using the device.

If you have additional questions about the use of your charger, contact your hearing care professional.

For your convenience, this booklet contains a navigation bar to help you navigate through the different sections.

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#### IMPORTANT NOTICE

For details on the functionality of your specific hearing aid solution, refer to your hearing aid's instructions for use.

### Intended use

Intended use	The charger is intended to recharge the hearing aids and CROS transmitter that contain rechargeable batteries.  The product is intended to be used together with the given hearing solution.	
Indications for use	There are no indications for use (diagnoses) for the charger itself.	
Intended user	Person with hearing loss using a hearing aid and their caregivers. Hearing care professional responsible for adjusting the accessory.	
Intended user group	ntended user group Adults and children older than 36 months.	
Use environment	Jse environment Home setting.	
Contraindications	No contraindications.	
Clinical benefits	See clinical benefits of the hearing aid.	

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## **Package contents**

The packaging box consists of the following elements:



Charger



Case for charger



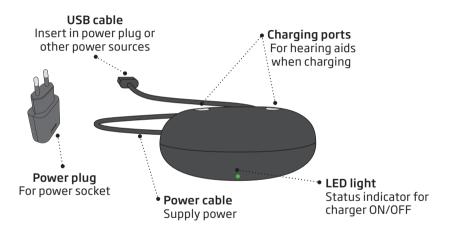
Power plug (varies from country to country)



This booklet

## Charger

#### What it is and does



## **Temperature conditions**

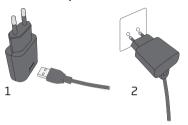
Temperature	Charging condition
Below +5°C (+41°F)	No charging due to low temperature
+10°C to +35°C (+50°F to +95°F)	Best charging condition. Charging takes up to 3.5 hours.
+5°C to +10°C and +35°C to +38°C (+41°F to 50°F and +95°F to +100°F)	Extended charging. Charging takes up to 5 hours.
Above +38°C (+100°F)	No charging due to high temperature

#### IMPORTANT NOTICE

Ensure you always leave the charger connected to a power source when the hearing aid is seated in the charging port.

## **Prepare charger**

#### Connect to power source



- Insert the USB plug into the power plug.
- Insert the power plug into a power socket.

The charger turns ON automatically.

#### Charger is turned ON



When the charger is connected to power, the GREEN LED turns ON.

## Charge the hearing aids

#### Place hearing aids in charger



Place the hearing aids in the charging ports as shown in the picture. Make sure that the hearing aids match the right and left color indicators on the charger.

The RED indicator is for the right side hearing aid. The BLUE indicator is for the left side hearing aid.

#### Charging



The hearing aid LED lights turn ON when the hearing aids are correctly placed in the charger.

## Hearing aid LED light charging status:

ORANGE / RED\* = Charging GREEN = Fully charged

\*The color is either orange or red depending on the hearing aid family. For more information see your hearing aid's instructions for use.

## **Charging time**

Ensure you fully charge your hearing aid before first time use.

Charge your hearing aid every night. That ensures you start your day with fully charged hearing aid.

Be aware that charging time may vary depending on the remaining capacity of the battery and between the left / right side hearing aid.

If your hearing aid's battery is completely drained the normal charging time is:

MNR T R Fully charged		50% charged	25% charged
	3 hours	1 hour	0.5 hours
MNB T R	Fully charged	40% charged	20% charged
	3.5 hours	1 hour	0.5 hours

When the battery is fully charged, the charging process stops automatically.

Leave the hearing aid in the charger when you do not use it.

Remember to keep the charger connected to a power source at all times.\*

\* For select hearing models, turning the charger OFF makes the hearing aids turn ON and start using battery power. For more information, contact your hearing care professional.

#### Note

If you have not used your hearing aid in a long time and you then try to recharge it, it may take up to 30 seconds before the hearing aid begins charging. For more information, see your hearing aid's instructions for use.

## Power the charger using other sources

You can power the charger from other sources than a power socket. This can be done by using the charger's USB cable.

Ensure that the power source is USB 2.0 compliant, with a minimum of 500mA output.

#### Examples of power sources:

- Power bank
- Computer
- Car

#### Note

When using a power bank, ensure that it does not have a power-saving or auto-shutdown mode. As this can result in your hearing aid not being fully charged or not charged at all.

#### IMPORTANT NOTICE

When using a power socket, use the supplied original power supply (5.0V/1A) for the charger.

## Caring for your charger

Always ensure that the charger is dry and clean before use. Keep the charging ports clean from dust by using a dry cloth. Do not use water or cleaning fluids to clean the charging ports.

Store your charger in a dry location, e.g. in the bedroom.

Ensure you keep the charger in an environment with a temperature between +5°C and +38°C (+41°F and +100°F).

## **⚠** General warnings

For your personal safety and to ensure correct usage, you should familiarize yourself fully with the following general warnings before using your charger. Consult your hearing care professional if you experience unexpected operations or serious incidents with your charger during use or because of its use. Your hearing care professional will support you with issue handling and, if relevant, reporting to the manufacturer and/or the national authorities.

#### Risk of burns

Do not place anything but the hearing aids in the charger ports.

## Choking hazards and risk of swallowing small parts

Charger, hearing aids and their parts should be kept out of reach of children and anyone who might swallow these items or otherwise cause injury to themselves.

If a battery, hearing aid or small part is swallowed, see a doctor immediately and contact the National Poison Center at 1-800-222-1222 or National Battery Ingestion Hotline at 1-800-498-8666.

#### Heat

The charger must never be exposed to extreme heat, e.g. left inside a parked car in the sun.

The charger must not be dried in microwave ovens or other ovens.

#### Connection to external equipment

The safety of the charger, when connected to external equipment with USB cable, is determined by the external signal source. When the charger is connected to external equipment which is plugged into a power socket, this equipment must comply with IEC 62368-1 or equivalent safety standards.

## **Troubleshooting**

Symptom	Possible causes	
The charger LED remains turned OFF when the charger is connected to power	The charger is not turned ON	
The charger LED shows long ORANGE blinks	The hearing aid or charger's temperature is too warm	
The charger LED repeatedly shows three	The charger's temperature is too cold	
short ORANGE blinks	System error	

Solutions
Verify that the power plug is correctly connected
Ensure that charging has started, to make sure the power source delivers sufficient output for your charger
Move the charger and hearing aid to a location with a temperature between +5°C and +38°C (+41°F and +100°F)
Move the charger to a location with a temperature between +5°C and +38°C (+41°F and +100°F)
Contact your hearing care professional

## **Troubleshooting**

Symptom	Possible causes	
The hearing aid LED blinks GREEN when hearing aid is placed in the charger	Hearing aid has not been in use for an extended period of time	
	The charger is not turned ON	
The hearing aid LED remains turned OFF	The hearing aid or charger's temperature is either too warm or too cold	
when the hearing aid is placed in the charger	Charging is incomplete. The charger has stopped charging to protect the battery.	
	The hearing aid is not correctly seated in the charger	
The hearing aid LED blinks ORANGE / RED when the hearing aid is placed in the charger	System error	

Solutions
Solutions
Depending on how depleted the battery in the hearing aid is, the hearing aid automatically resumes normal charging mode after a timeframe of up to 10 minutes
Ensure you leave the hearing aid in the charger during this process
Verify that the charger power plug is correctly connected
Move the charger and hearing aid to a location with a temperature between +5°C and +38°C (+41°F and +100°F)
Reinsert the hearing aid into the charger. This completes the charging within approximately 15 minutes.
Check the charging ports for foreign objects
Contact your hearing care professional

#### Conditions of use

Operating conditions	Temperature: +5°C to +38°C (+41°F to +100°F) Humidity: 5% to 93%, non-condensing Atmospheric pressure: 700 hPa to 1060 hPa	
Transportation and storage conditions	Temperature and humidity shall not exceed the below limits for extended periods during transportation and storage:	
	Temperature: -25°C to +70°C (-13°F to +158°F) Humidity: 5% to 93%, non-condensing	

For information about your hearing aid's Conditions of use, see your hearing aid's instructions for use.

## **Compliance statements**

This device complies with part 18 of the FCC Rules.

## Radiofrequency radiation exposure information

This device complies with FCC RF radiation exposure limits set forth for an uncontrolled environment.

This device should be installed and operated with minimum distance of 20 centimeters / 8 inches between the device and your body.

This device must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter.

Use of other accessories not verified by the manufacturer may not ensure compliance with FCC RF exposure guidelines.

#### **User information**

This device has been tested and found to comply with the limits pursuant to part 18 of the FCC Rules.

These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation.

This device generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications.

However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this device does cause harmful interference to other electronic equipment, which can be determined by turning the device OFF and ON, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the equipment
- Increase the separation between the equipment

Changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the device.

This medical device complies with the Medical Device Regulation (EU) 2017/745.

The device is classified as CISPR 11 group 2 class B equipment. This means that the device is using locally generated radio-frequency energy which is used for wireless power transfer (WPT) and, that the device is suitable for use in residential environments.

Declaration of Conformity is available from the headquarters:

Bernafon AG Morgenstrasse 131 3018 Bern Switzerland www.bernafon.com/doc









#### Description of symbols and abbreviations used in this booklet



#### Warnings

CF mark

Text marked with a warning symbol must be read before using the device.



#### Manufacturer

The device is produced by the manufacturer whose name and address are stated next to the symbol, Indicates the medical device manufacturer, as defined in EU Regulations 2017/745



The device complies with all required EU regulations and directives.



#### Electronic waste (WEEE)

Recycle hearing aids, accessories or batteries according to local regulations. Hearing aid users can also return electronic waste to their hearing care professional for disposal. Electronic equipment covered by Directive 2012/19/EU on waste and electrical equipment (WEEE).



#### Regulatory Compliance Mark (RCM)

The device complies with electrical safety, EMC and radio spectrum requirements for devices supplied to the Australian or New Zealand markets.

### Description of additional symbols used on labels



#### Keep dry

Indicates a medical device that needs to be protected from moisture.



#### Catalog number

Indicates the manufacturer's catalog number so that the medical device can be identified.



#### Serial number

Indicates the manufacturer's serial number so that a specific medical device can be identified.



#### **Medical Device**

The device is a medical device.



#### Nature of supply voltage

Indicates that the nature of the device's power supply voltage shall be DC (direct current).



#### FW

Firmware version used in the device.



#### Unique device identifier

Indicates a carrier that contains unique device identifier information.

## International warranty

Your device is covered by an international warranty issued by the manufacturer. This international warranty covers manufacturing and material defects in the device itself, but not in accessories such as batteries, tubing, speakers, earpieces and filters, etc. Problems arising from improper/incorrect handling or care, excessive use, accidents, repairs made by an unauthorized party, exposure to corrosive conditions, physical changes in your ear, damage due to foreign objects entering the device, or incorrect adjustments are NOT covered by the international warranty and may void it. The above international warranty does not affect any legal rights that you might have under applicable national legislation governing the sale of consumer goods in the country where you have bought your device. Your hearing care professional may also have issued a warranty that goes beyond the clauses of this international warranty. Please consult him/her for further information

#### If you need service

Take your device to your hearing care professional, who may be able to sort out minor problems and adjustments immediately. Your hearing care professional may charge a fee for their services.

## Warranty

### Certificate

Name of owner:		
Hearing care professional:		
Hearing care professional's address:		
Hearing care professional's phone: _		
Purchase date:		
Warranty period:	Month:	
Model:	Serial no.:	

